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The present Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the non-final Office Action dated June 15, 2005. Please cancel claim 18 without prejudice to or disclaimer of any subject matter contained therein. The Applicant reserves the right to further prosecute the subject matter of the present application, including any canceled claims in subsequent division, continuation, and/or continuation-in-part application(s).

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